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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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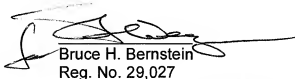
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ELECTION

In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement of September 19, 2007, in which the period for responding thereto runs to October 19, 2007, Applicant elects Species A, illustrated in Fig. 1. Applicant submits that claims 1-9 and 12-20 are readable on the elected species.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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